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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 09 April 2008.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 09 April 2008 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
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DETAILED ACTION

This is a **Final** rejection in response to amendments/remarks filed on 04/09/2008.

Claims 1-15 are pending. Claims 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 14 and 15 are currently amended. Claims 1, 4, 7, 10, and 13-15 are independent claims. Effective filing date is **11/29/2001** (IBM).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

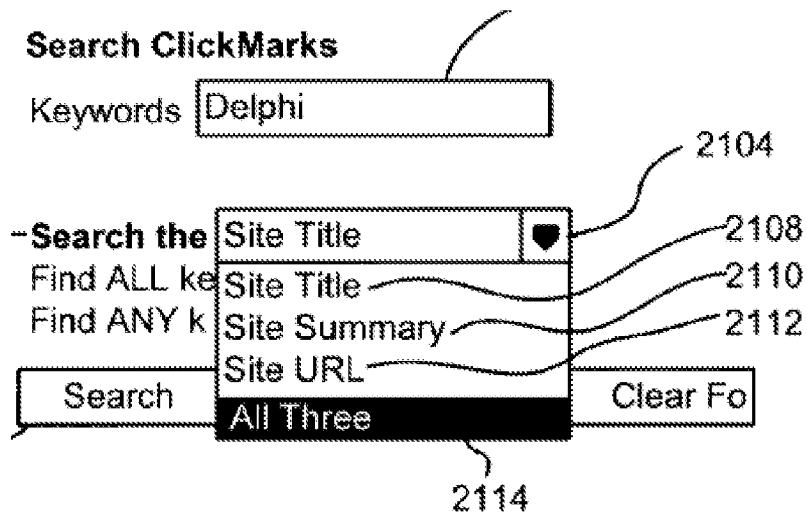
(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 1-15 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over **Khan** **US006546393B1**, filed 10/07/1999 (hereinafter Khan), in view of **Nielsen** **US005761436A**, filed 07/01/1996 (hereinafter Nielsen), further in view of **Baird** **US 20030080986A1**, filed 11/01/2001 (hereinafter Baird),

Regarding ***independent claim 1***, Khan teaches:

Using a keyword or a phrase to search Web pages bookmarked in two or more sub-folders;

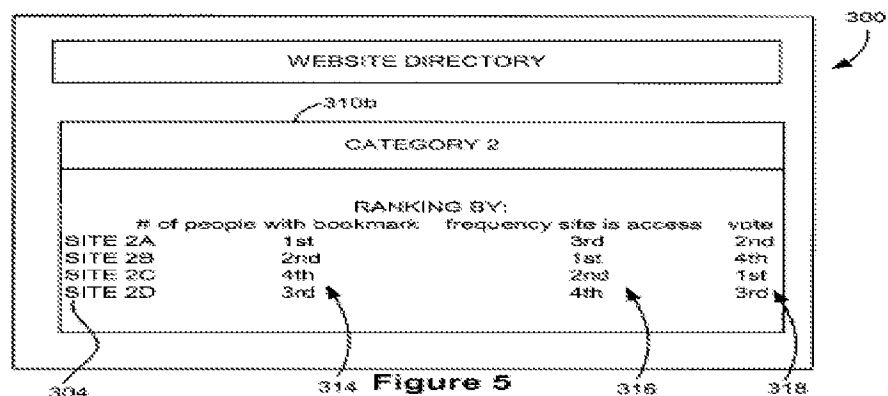
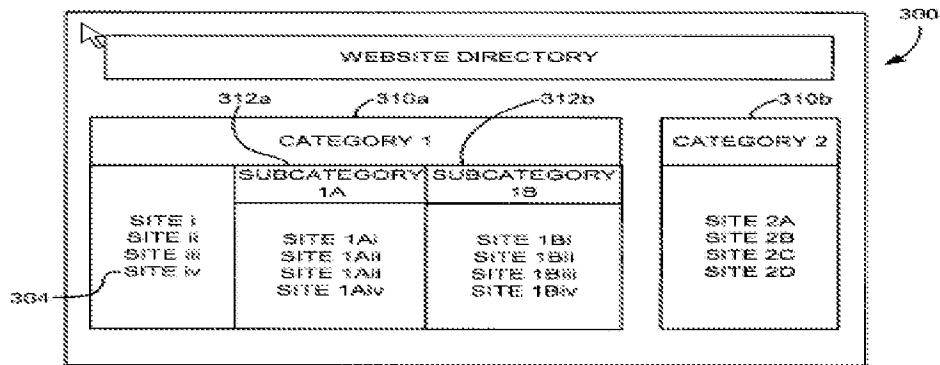
(See Fig. 21 at Col. 20, Lines 50-60--> Khan discloses this limitation in that fig. 21 illustrates the search metaphor that allows searching a key word of bookmarked in more than one folders,)



**Comparing the bookmarked Web pages in the created sub-folder to
a bookmark folder with the Web pages in the categories;**

(See Khan at Col. 21, Lines 25-45, discloses "Check Duplicates" bookmark, wherein comparing all the bookmarks and their titles/summaries stored, the bookmark management system identifies duplicate bookmarks stored in a user's online bookmark account.

Also see Khan at Fig .4-5 and Col. 13, Lines 25-35, discloses bookmarked Web pages in a bookmark folder with the Web pages in the categories.)



In addition, Khan does not explicitly teach, but Nielsen teaches:

A computer implemented method of highlighting Web pages arranged in categories on a server comprising the steps of:

highlighting all the Web pages in the categories that are the same as the bookmarked Web pages.

(See Nielsen at Fig. 5 and Col. 7, Lines 40-55, discloses An "Aggregate Flag" field 521 contains a boolean flag that if TRUE identifies the history data record 510 as an aggregate record. An aggregate record links to history data structures containing similar hyperlinks. Using the broadest reasonable interpretation, the Examiner equates the claimed **highlighting** as equivalent to An "Aggregate Flag" as taught by Nielsen.

It would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have modified Khan's teaching of comparing bookmarked Web pages in a bookmark folder with the Web pages in the categories, to include a means of highlighting all the Web pages in the categories that are the same as the bookmarked Web pages as taught by Nielsen. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to modify this combination because Khan and Nielsen are from the same field of endeavor of bookmarks schemes in the client/server, and provides a predictable result of "Check Duplicates" bookmark, wherein comparing all the bookmarks and their titles/summaries stored, the bookmark management system identifies duplicate bookmarks stored in an user's online bookmark account- See Khan at Col. 7, Lines 40-55.)

**creating a sub-folder into which all Web p  tes searched that contain
the keyword or phrase are to be stored; storing bookmarks to all the Web
pages that contain the keyword or phrase into the created sub-folder;**

(See Para 41-49 --> Baird discloses this limitation in that group of bookmarked server
may search line by line through the source code of the corresponding Web page 173

(at the server) wherein Information on the bookmarks in the corresponding group may be downloaded to the client 109, and is used to create and display the group-associated bookmark submenu 254 and stored.)

Accordingly, It would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have modified Khan and Nielsen's teaching of comparing bookmarked Web pages in a bookmark folder with the Web pages in the categories, to include a means of highlighting all the Web pages in the categories that are the same as the bookmarked Web pages to include a means of said creating a sub-folder into which all Web pages searched that contain the keyword or phrase are to be stored; storing bookmarks to all the Web pages that contain the keyword or phrase into the created sub-folder as taught by Baird. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to modify this combination because Khan, Nielsen and Baird are from the same field of endeavor of bookmarks schemes in the client/server, and provides a predictable result of "Check Duplicates" bookmark, wherein comparing all the bookmarks and their titles/summaries stored, the bookmark management system identifies duplicate bookmarks stored in an user's online bookmark account- See Khan at Col. 7, Lines 40-55.) Further provides a predictable result of enables automatic accessing and display in a bookmarks list of at least one group of bookmarks stored on a remote computer system, see Baird at Para 5.

*Regarding **independent claim 4:***

Claim 4 recites a computer program product on a computer readable medium configured to perform the method of claim 1. Thus, Khan, Nielsen and Baird disclose every limitation of Claim 4 and provide proper reasons to combine, as indicated in the above rejections for Claim 1- Also see Khan at Fig. 1, item 110, 116, and 114 (i.e. CPU, ROM, and RAM).

*Regarding **independent claim 7:***

Claim 7 recites a computer apparatus configured to perform the method of claim 1. Thus, Khan, Nielsen and Baird disclose every limitation of Claim 7 and provide proper reasons to combine, as indicated in the above rejections for Claim 1- Also see Khan at Fig. 1, item 110, 116, and 114 (i.e. CPU, ROM, and RAM).

*Regarding **independent claim 10:***

Claim 10 recites a computer system configured to perform the method of claim 1. Thus, Khan, Nielsen and Baird disclose every limitation of Claim 10 and provide proper reasons to combine, as indicated in the above rejections for Claim 1- Also see Khan at Fig. 1, item 110, 116, and 114 (i.e. CPU, ROM, and RAM).

*Regarding **independent claim 13:***

Is fully incorporated similar subject of claim 1 cited above, and is similarly rejected along the same rationale. Thus, Khan, Nielsen and Baird disclose every

limitation of Claim 13 and provide proper reasons to combine, as indicated in the above rejections for Claim 1

In addition, Khan teaches:

Accessing a Web page on the server on which Web pages arranged in categories are displayed;

(See Khan at Fig. 4 and Col. 12, Lines 30-45, discloses accessing a Web page on which Web pages arranged in categories are displayed. Also Khan further discloses the user has a server side bookmark account set up and populated- See Khan at Col. 11, Line 55.)

Also, Baird teaches:

retrieving Uniform Resource Locators (URLs) of all Web pages in the created sub-folder a bookmark folder, the created sub-folder bookmark being stored either on a client computer system or on the server, the bookmark folder, if stored on the server, being enabled to be accessed by a plurality of users;

(See Para 41-49 --> Baird discloses this limitation in that group of bookmarked server may search line by line through the source code of the corresponding Web page 173 (URL) at the server, wherein Information on the bookmarks in the corresponding group may be downloaded to the client 109, and is used to create and display the group-associated bookmark submenu 254 and stored.)

Accordingly, It would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have modified Khan and Nielsen's teaching of comparing bookmarked Web pages in a bookmark folder with the Web pages in the categories, to include a means of highlighting all the Web pages in the categories that are the same as the bookmarked Web pages to include a means of said retrieving Uniform Resource Locators (URLs) of all Web pages in the created sub-folder a bookmark folder, the created sub-folder bookmark being stored either on a client computer system or on the server, the bookmark folder, if stored on the server, being enabled to be accessed by a plurality of users as taught by Baird. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to modify this combination because Khan, Nielsen and Baird are from the same field of endeavor of bookmarks schemes in the client/server, and provides a predictable result of "Check Duplicates" bookmark, wherein comparing all the bookmarks and their titles/summaries stored, the bookmark management system identifies duplicate bookmarks stored in an user's online bookmark account- See Khan at Col. 7, Lines 40-55.) Further provides a predictable result of enables automatic accessing and display in a bookmarks list of at least one group of bookmarks stored on a remote computer system, see Baird at Para 5.

Regarding independent claim 14:

Is fully incorporated similar subject of claim 13 cited above, and is similarly rejected along the same rationale. Thus, Khan, Nielsen and Baird disclose every

limitation of Claim 14 and provide proper reasons to combine, as indicated in the above rejections for Claim 13

In addition, Khan teaches:

Only bookmarked Web pages in the bookmark folder created sub-folder for which a user has access permission may be accessed by the user;

(See Khan at Col. 21, Lines 25-45, discloses "Check Duplicates" bookmark, wherein comparing all the bookmarks and their titles/summaries stored, the bookmark management system identifies duplicate bookmarks stored in a user's online bookmark account. Also Khan further discloses, every online bookmark account may be password protected, see Khan at Col. 14, Lines 30-35.)

*Regarding **independent claim 15:***

Is fully incorporated similar subject of claim 13 cited above, and is similarly rejected along the same rationale. Thus, Khan, Nielsen and Baird disclose every limitation of Claim 15 and provide proper reasons to combine, as indicated in the above rejections for Claim 13

In addition, Khan teaches:

A computer implemented method of indicating Web pages on a server that have already been bookmarked on a local computer system comprising the steps of:

(See Khan at Col. 21, Lines 25-45, discloses "Check Duplicates" bookmark, wherein comparing all the bookmarks and their titles/summaries stored, the bookmark management system identifies duplicate bookmarks stored in a user's online bookmark account.)

Claim 2, Khan teaches:

The computer implemented method of Claim 1 wherein the bookmark folder is on a client.

(See Khan at Col. 15, Lines 60-65, discloses remote addition for adding bookmark at the user's web browser without access onto online bookmark account.)

Claim 3, Khan teaches:

The computer implemented method of Claim 1 wherein the bookmark folder is on a server.

(See Khan at Col. 13, Lines 35-40, discloses the server side bookmarks.)

Claims 5-6 respectively:

Are directed to computer program product on a computer readable medium to perform a method of claims 2-3 respectively, which cite above, and are similarly rejected under the same rationale (see Khan Fig. 1).

Claims 8-9 respectively:

Claims 8-9 recites a computer apparatus configured to perform the method of claims 2-3 respectively. Thus, Khan, Nielsen and Baird disclose every limitation of Claim 15 and provide proper reasons to combine, as indicated in the above rejections for Claim 13, Also see Khan at Fig. 1, item 110, 116, and 114 (i.e. CPU, ROM, and RAM).

Claims 11-12 respectively:

Claims 11-12 recites a computer system configured to perform the method of claims 2-3 respectively. Thus, Khan, Nielsen and Baird disclose every limitation of Claim 15 and provide proper reasons to combine, as indicated in the above rejections for Claim 13, Also see Khan at Fig. 1, item 110, 116, and 114 (i.e. CPU, ROM, and RAM).

It is noted that any citations to specific, pages, columns, lines, or figures in the prior art references and any interpretation of the references should not be considered to be limiting in any way. A reference is relevant for all it contains and may be relied upon for all that it would have reasonably suggested to one having ordinary skill in the art. See, MPEP 2123.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-15 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

It is noted; Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action (see above for details).

Further, the examiner introduced the Baird reference to address the newly amended portions (see above for details). In addition, it is noted the Examiner maintains the Khan and Nielsen references; since Khan is directed toward a system, method and an article for implementing a searchable (the search metaphor that allows searching a key word of bookmarked in more than one folders, at Col. 20, Lines 50-60) and the ability to create their own categories to best identify the location of their bookmark(s) within the web directory and the way to manage the online bookmaking system, included the feature of said "Check Duplicates" bookmark, wherein comparing all the bookmarks and their titles/summaries stored, the bookmark management system identifies duplicate in the bookmark folders with the Web pages in the categories, see Khan at Col. 14, Line → Col. 15, Line 25. Khan further discloses "Check Duplicates" bookmark, wherein comparing all the bookmarks and their titles/summaries stored, the bookmark management system identifies duplicate bookmarks stored in a user's online bookmark account, see Khan at Col. 21, Lines 25-45,

In view of Nielsen, discloses an "Aggregate Flag" field 521 contains a boolean flag that if TRUE identifies the history data record 510 as an aggregate record. An aggregate record links to history data structures containing similar hyperlinks (i.e. **highlighting** as equivalent to An "Aggregate Flag") See Nielsen at Fig. 5 and Col. 7, Lines 40-55.

Conclusion

Accordingly **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL** See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than **SIX MONTHS** from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Quoc A. Tran whose telephone number is 571-272-8664. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon through Fri 8AM - 5PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Doug Hutton can be reached on (571)272-4137. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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